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TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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SUBJECT: SNEIDER INTERVIEW WITH CHOU CHIEH

REF: TAIPEI 3770

1. CHINA TIMES REPORT OF INTERVIEW WITH SNEIDER AS RECEIVED REFTEL HAD TWO MISQUOTATIONS AND APPARENTLY IGNORED SNEIDER'S EMPHASIS ON MAINTENANCE OF US TREATY COMMITMENT TO GRC IN FAVOR OF PAPER'S (AND REPORTERS') EMPHASIS ON QUESTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

2. SNEIDER DOWNPLAYED REPORTERS' SUGGESTIONS THAT PRC WOULD SEEK ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, BUT HE DID NOT USE CATEGORICAL " IT IS NOT POSSIBLE" LANGUAGE. REFTEL PARA THREE MORE ACCURATELY REFLECTS SNEIDER COMMENTS ON SUBJECT.

3. SNEIDER EXPLAINED TO REPORTERS THAT AMBASSADOR MCCONAUGHY HAD RETIRED FROM FOREIGN SERVICE, BUT NOT FROM PRESENT ASSIGNMENT- PRESSED WHETHER US WOULD LEAVE POST
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VACANT WHEN AMBASSADOR LEAVES TAIPEI, SNEIDER EXPRESSED
CONFIDENCE THAT ANOTHER AMBASSADOR WOULD BE APPOINTED.

4. INTERVIEW WAS ON THE RECORD, BUT USE OF DIRECT QUOTES
WAS SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED. ROGERS

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